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Brinks Gilson & Lione Attorneys Sobieraj and Richards To Address Prevailing Issues in IP Law at AIPPI-US Global IP Educational Forum

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CHICAGO—James R. Sobieraj, president of intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione, and Marc V. Richards, a Brinks shareholder and patent attorney, will be featured speakers at the AIPPI-US Global IP Educational Forum at The John Marshall Law School on July 13, 2017.

The full-day seminar is co-hosted by the AIPPI-US division of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)—the United States group of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI), and The John Marshall Law School Center for Intellectual Property, Information & Privacy Law.

Sobieraj is a panelist for the session “U.S. Supreme Court and Federal Circuit Recent Developments.” Richards, who is actively involved in the leadership of AIPPI and most recently was the organization’s treasurer, is event chair and will deliver the opening remarks.

Sobieraj, who has served as Brinks' president since 2012, represents clients with innovative technologies in the electronics, telecommunications, computer, medical device, and automotive industries, helping them to enforce, license, and procure IP rights. He has been lead counsel in lawsuits involving patents, licensing, trade secrets, trade dress, unfair competition, false advertising, fraud, antitrust and breach of contract. Sobieraj's litigation experience includes bench and jury trials, temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, Markman hearings, appeals, arbitration, and mediation.

Richards focuses his practice on patent prosecution and litigation, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office adversarial proceedings, and global patent portfolio management for diverse technologies. He also counsels clients on patent infringement and invalidity investigations, licensing, and trade secret matters. Richards is the co-chair of Brinks' chemicals, energy, and agriculture practice and is the former co-chair of its post-grant patent practice.

Brinks Gilson & Lione is a co-sponsor of the AIPPI-US Global IP Educational Forum, which brings together seasoned experts and rising stars from around the world to give in-house counsel, private practitioners, and IP managers a detailed look at prevailing issues in U.S. and international intellectual property law.

More information is at <http://www.aipla.org/learningcenter/aippi17/Pages/2017AIPPI-US.aspx>.

Brinks Gilson & Lione

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attorneys provide informed counsel with respect to innovations in a range of complex and valuable technologies, including pharmaceuticals, chemicals, bioengineering, industrial manufacturing, electronics and software, and medical devices. More information is at www.brinksgilson.com.

About AIPPI

AIPPI (Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle) is an international organization founded in 1887 after the signing of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property. The organization is comprised of businesses, executives, lawyers, educators, patent and trademark agents, intellectual property owners, and others interested in the elimination of unfair trade practices and the worldwide protection of patents, designs, trademarks, trade names, know how, goodwill, copyright, and other intellectual property rights. AIPPI strives to advance the development, expansion, and improvement of international and regional treaties and agreements, as well as national laws. More information is at <http://www.aippi-us.org>.

About AIPLA

AIPLA (American Intellectual Property Law Association), founded in 1897, is a national bar association constituted primarily of lawyers in private and corporate practice, government service, and the academic community involved in the practice of patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, and unfair competition law, as well as other fields of law affecting intellectual property. More information is at <http://www.aipla.org>.